

AGENDA



Thursday, April 27, 2006

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**Purchasing Service Agreement
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL
ACTION**

ITEM NO: 19

Subject: Authorize execution of a 12-month supply agreement with JAE CONSTRUCTION, INC., Austin, TX, for the purchase of sandy loam and topsoil in an amount not to exceed \$57,650, with two 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$57,650 per extension, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$172,950.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$24,021 is available in the Fiscal Year 2005-2006 Approved Operating Budget of the Austin Water Utility. Funding for the remaining seven months of the original contract period and extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Fiscal Note: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

For More Information:**Prior Council Action:****Boards and Commission Action:**

Purchasing Language: Lowest bid of two bids received.

MBE/WBE: This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9 of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this solicitation.

Additional Backup Material

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[JAE BID TAB 042706SA](#)

This contract is to provide for the delivery of topsoil and sandy loam to various jobs sites within the City of Austin. Austin Water Utility's Field Operations Division on an as needed basis.

The sandy loam and topsoil will be used by the Rehabilitation Construction Services and Pipeline Operations Divisions. These materials will be used as the final layer of soil at work sites that require excavation to repair the Utility's water distribution or collection systems. The Utility has a goal to leave residential and commercial worksites in similar condition as they were prior to excavation and these materials are used in that effort along with efforts to re-establish the turf grass.

MBE/WBE solicited: 5/1 MBE/WBE bid: 2/0

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Twenty-three notices were sent including 5 MBEs and 1 WBE firm. Four solicitations were issued including two MBE firms. Two bids were received which were both MBE firms.
- c. The current bid pricing for sandy loam represents an approximate 5% increase from the last contract awarded in September 2004. The current bid pricing for top soil represents an approximate 43% increase to the last contract awarded in August 2005. Both vendors from the previous contracts could not extend their contracts due to increased costs in transportation.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Low bidder.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Water Utility's recommended award.
- c. Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and on the Internet.